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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL YEAR AND HOLIDAYS 1949-1950

PROVISIONS OF THE SCHOOLS ACTS

The school year shall consist of two terms, the first of which shall begin on the first Tuesday of September following Labour Day and shall end on the 22nd day of December, and the second of which shall begin on the 3rd day of January and end on the 29th day of June.

When the 3rd day of January is a Friday, the schools shall not be opened until the following Monday, and when the 29th day of June or the 22nd day of December is a Monday, the schools shall be closed on the preceding Friday.

Every Saturday, every public holiday, the 24th day of May, the 11th day of November, the day appointed annually to be celebrated officially as the birthday of the reigning sovereign, the week following Easter Day, and every day proclaimed a holiday by the authorities of the municipality in which the teacher is engaged and every day upon which a school is closed under the provisions of *The Public Health Act* or the regulations of the Department, shall be a school holiday.

HOLIDAYS

The following are the school holidays during the school year 1949-50:

(1) Thanksgiving Day.
(2) Remembrance Day — November 11th.
(3) December 23rd - 31st (both days included) — part of Christmas vacation.
(4) The first two days of January — part of Christmas vacation.
(5) Easter holidays — April 7th - 16th — both days included.
(6) Victoria Day — May 24th.
(7) The Anniversary of the King's Birthday.

DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

The following are the dates of the opening and closing of the High, Continuation, Public and Separate Schools:

Open	September 6th, 1949	Close	December 22nd, 1949
Reopen	January 3rd, 1950	Close	April 6th, 1950
Reopen	April 17th, 1950	Close	June 29th, 1950

NUMBER OF TEACHING DAYS

In the High, Continuation, Public and Separate Schools, the number of teaching days is as follows:

September, 1949	19	January, 1950	21
October, 1949	20	February, 1950	20
November, 1949	21	March, 1950	23
December, 1949	16	April, 1950	14
	76	May, 1950	22
		June, 1950	20
			120
		Total	196

NOTE:—For the above table, it has been assumed that Thanksgiving Day will be in October, 1949, and the Anniversary of the King's Birthday in June, 1950.

Number of teaching days for *calendar year* 1949—196. For *calendar year* 1950—197.

Toronto, August 1st, 1949.

F. S. RUTHERFORD,
Deputy Minister.

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For June, 1950.

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NOTICE TO PRINCIPALS

In order to obtain uniformity in the system of recording attendance during the period of the Departmental Examinations in June and to enable Boards to earn their full grants, teachers are asked to comply with the following instructions.

Elementary Schools

In all schools and classrooms not in use for the writing of the High School Entrance examinations, the teaching sessions and the recording of attendance shall continue to and include June 29th, 1950.

In all schools and classrooms in actual use for the writing of the High School Entrance examinations, attendance shall be recorded for all classes to and including June 29th, 1950. This includes the Entrance class itself.

Pupils who have been granted Entrance Certificates on the recommendation of the Principal may be permitted to retire from school one week before the beginning of the Entrance Examinations. Attendance shall be credited to them to and including June 29th, 1950.

Secondary Schools

All secondary schools with no candidates for the Upper School examinations shall continue in session till the statutory date of closing, viz., June 29th, 1950.

Principals of secondary schools having candidates for the Upper School examinations shall carry on the sessions of the lower grades as the exigencies of accommodation and teaching adjustments demand. In cases of necessary closing, attendance shall be recorded to and including June 29th, 1950. Credit may also be given for the attendance of those pupils writing the Upper School examinations.

In all secondary schools where grades may have been dismissed to accommodate the High School Entrance examinations, credit for attendance of those grades shall be given until and including June 29th, 1950.

For All Schools

If for any lawful reason the school year varies for different rooms in a school, the number of lawful teaching days for the entire school shall be derived as in the following example,—

In the case of a ten-roomed school with four rooms, for which the lawful number of days is 195, and six rooms, for which the lawful number of days is 185, the calculation would be,—

4 rooms.....each open for 195 days.....R. x D.	780
6 rooms.....each open for 185 days.....R. x D.	1110
	1890
10 rooms.....open for 1890 divided by 10	189 days

Therefore, the lawful number of teaching days for the entire school is 189.

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